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REF: (A) RUECKERT-GERMAN LETTER SEPT 26, 1974
(B) AMBASSADOR COOPER - ADAMS DISCUSSION NOVEMBER 18

- 1. MR. HOWARD ADAMS, ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR FOR NATIONAL PROGRAMS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART PLANS TO DEPART WASHINGTON JANUARY 10 FOR VISIT TO EUROPE OF SEVERAL WEEKS IN CONNECTION WITH THEBICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN 1976. HE PLANS TO BE IN PARIS DURING PERIOD JANUARY 10-17 AND IN ROME FROM JANUARY 17-20.
- 2. MR. ADAMS WOULD LIKE AT SOME TIME DURING HIS TRIP TO DISCUSS WITH APPROPRIATE GDR OFFICIALS, INCLUDING IF POSSIBLE THE DIRECTORS OF THE STAATLICHE MUSEUM IN EAST BERLIN (DR. WILLI GEISMEIER) AND THE MUSSEN DER STADT GOTHA (DR. REITZ), THE NATIONAL GALLERY'S REQUEST FOR A PAINTING AND A SCULPTURE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE BY THE GDR FOR THE THOMAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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JEFFERSON EXHIBITION AT THE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. THE

TIME MOST CONVENIENT FOR MR. ADAMSTO MAKE THE TRIP TO EAST GERMANY WOULD BE DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 20, FOLLOWING HIS ROME VISIT. HOWEVER, WOULD BE WILLING TO INTERRUPT HIS STAY IN PARIS OR ROME (EXCEPT FOR JANUARY 17

AND JANUARY 20), IF THE EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT ADVISABLE FOR HIM TO COME AT THAT TIME.

3. THE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON WHO MR. ADAMS SHOULD SEE IN EAST BERLIN AND THE GDR WOULD BE APPRECIATED SOONEST. MR. ADAMS WOULD ALSO GREATLY APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY SETTING UP PROPOSED ITINERARY AND RESERVING A SINGLE WITH BATH IN EAST BERLIN DURING THE PERIOD OF HIS SUGGESTED STAY. KISSINGER

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